

**PATENT** 

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In re application of:

Seth Redmore

Application No.: 09/356,086

Group No.: 2134

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Examiner: Norman M. Wright

For: HARDWARE BASED SECURITY GROUPS, FIREWALL LOAD SHARING, AND FIREWALL

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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

### TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

- 2. This request is being submitted:
  - i. Prior to abandonment of the application

### CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10\*

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#### **ENCLOSURES**

3. Enclosed herewith is:
An amendment

# **FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).**

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee:

770.00

#### FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	20	-	20	=	0	х	\$	18.00	=	\$	0.00
INDEP.	2	-	3	<u>-</u>	0	х	\$	86.00	=	\$	0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM + \$ 290.00								=	\$	0.00	
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No additional fee for claims is required.

### **EXTENSION OF TIME**

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

# TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e)) Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$ \$	770.00 0.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$	770.00

# PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Check is attached for the sum of \$770.00.

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 19-0737.

#### **INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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